

Board Meeting
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CITY OF OJAI

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Ms. Tara Gauthier
California Integrated Waste Management Board
Office of Local Assistance
P.O. Box 4025
Sacramento, CA 95812

Subject: City of Ojai – Request to Utilize Data Confirmed by the Year 2000 Generation Study

Dear Ms. Gauthier,

As you are aware, an extensive waste generation and diversion study was prepared for year 2000 in order to verify the amounts generated within the City of Ojai. The documented amounts stated in the study were verified by a field audit conducted by yourself and other CIWMB staff.

The level of effort needed to obtain accurate generation and diversion data is substantial and much staff time would be needed in addition to the time that would need to be provided by business owners, franchise haulers, independent recyclers and City of Ojai staff. In past years, the City of Ojai has had to exhaust much of its AB 939 budget to obtain the extra data to the detriment of its many recycling and waste diversion programs. With its limited resources and tiny staff, the City of Ojai is finding it difficult to complete a new annual assessment.

The City of Ojai is requesting that the waste generation data for the year 2000 be used to determine a new base year for the City of Ojai. That data has been verified to be accurate, with the exception of nearly all of our inert waste, and is much more representative of the true value than our current 1990 base year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Doug Breeze".

Doug Breeze
Public Works Director

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Cc: Dan Singer, City Manager